

# Promising Pictures Feature Programs Of Local Theaters

## Bogart And Bergman



**HUMPHREY BOGART AND INGRID BERGMAN**—co-starred in "Casablanca." The supporting cast includes Paul Henreid, Claude Rains, Conrad Veidt, Peter Lorre, Sydney Greenstreet, Dooley Wilson, Madeleine Le Beau, Corinna Mura, Helmut Dantine, Joy Page, Dan Seymour, Leo Mostovoy, Marcel Dalio, Frank Arnold.

## In Hollywood

BY PAUL HARRISON  
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Hollywood—Movietown newsreel: The celebrated Stage Door Canteen in Manhattan, where stars in all branches of show business entertain men in uniform—and only men in uniform—will have a counter-part here. Bette Davis and John Garfield are the organizers.



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All American movies have been ordered out of unoccupied France and Vichy colonies by year's end, when A. Hitler, with his "new order" films, takes over the exclusive franchise in some 4000 theaters. . . . More actual battle scenes are promised for newsreels. Photographic division of the Signal Corps is being enlarged so that cameramen will travel with all units of the armed forces. . . . A producer's son, William Lasky, has been inducted into the Army—as a private!

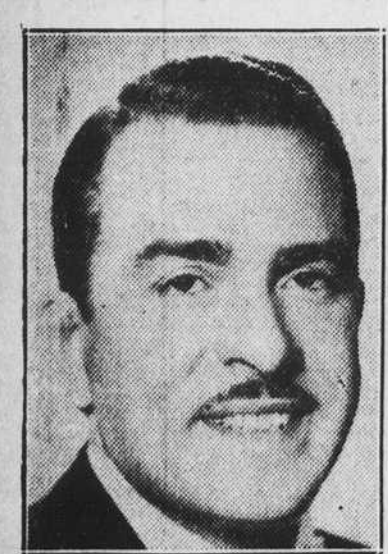
**HOLLYWOOD HOT SHOT**  
A screen siren yawningly remarked to a friend that she had become just too, too, unspeakably bored with marriage. "Well, why don't you get a divorce?" asked the pal.

"Oh," said the actress, "I'm bored with that, too."

For the first time since the Fred Astaire-Ginger Rogers broke up, and she went on to stardom in dramatic roles, she'll dance again in a picture, and with a new partner. He's Don Loper, to be imported from a New York night spot. Picture is Paramount's version of the Moss Hart musical, "Lady in the Dark." . . . The Aldous Huxley script of "Mrs. Curie" originally prepared for Greta Garbo, is being offered to Katie Hepburn. Miss Garbo now technically a free lance since her M-G-M contract expired, is getting offers from all over town but probably will remain at her old studio for "The Parricide Case."

Head of the location company of Columbia's "Commandos Come at Dawn" wired a Los Angeles arms company for 20,000 rounds of blank.

**GLEN GRAY PLAYS AT COMPOUNCE**  
Popular Casa Loma Band Scheduled for Sunday Appearance



GLEN GRAY

such as the Waldorf and Rainbow Room in New York but with the jitterbug division of their fans as well. Just as they were the first band to perceive, ten years ago, the increasing importance of sweet music, and to balance their programs accordingly.

The New Departure band of Bristol, under the direction of Ernest A. Becker, will present a program of concert music Sunday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock. Vocal selections will be rendered by Miss Anna Montella. In addition to the many rides and amusements, Lake Compo features dancing on Thursday and Saturday nights as well as Sunday. Roller skating is also a popular daily pastime at the lake.

## DISNEY FEATURE IS COMING HERE

"Fantasia" to Be Shown; Abbott, Costello Now Playing at State

Topping every merry hit they ever made, Bud Abbott and Lou Costello continue to draw capacity attendance at the air conditioned State theater where their newest and balmy hit "Pardon My Sarong" is currently showing.

A gag-a-licious riot of wiggles, giggles and hip-swaying honeys "Pardon My Sarong" should be seen by everybody especially those pessimistic personalities who thought the famous comedy team could not keep up the comedy pace they set in "Buck Privates," "In the Navy," "Keep 'Em Flying" and other successive hits.

The comedy kings have been given an impressive supporting cast in this picture. Romance is provided by Robert Paige and Virginia Bruce while the menace is portrayed in convincing fashion by Lef Erikson and Lionel Atwill. Nan Wynn, a new comer to the screen, is attractive as the native island girl who becomes more than fond of Costello.

Entertaining specialties are contributed by Tip, Tap and Toe dancers; the Sarong Dancing Girls, and the Four Ink Spots, sensational harmony hits.

"Frisco Lil" with Kent Taylor and Irene Hervey is the second big hit of the current show.

Walt Disney's full-length technicolor triumph "Fantasia," the hit that broke all records with the longest run in the entire history of talking pictures, begins a three-day engagement at the State theater starting Wednesday, at regular prices, following a run of one year on Broadway, at advanced prices.

"Fantasia," has been hailed as the most exciting and important picture since "The Birth of a Nation." Critics and public alike have sung its praises in extravagant terms. No two persons ever describe it the same way. "Fantasia" has so many come to the taste of every man, woman and child who has seen it.

Comedy and charm together dominate "Fantasia." For instance, Mickey Mouse makes his debut in a full-length feature in a side-splitting characterization, the Sorcerer's Apprentice who can start mischief going, but can't stop it. There are also five-hundred-odd new Disney characters and Mickey's shining eyes sparkle in the company of such new characters as Mlle. Upanova, the ostrich ballerina to end all ballerinas and Hyacinth Hippo, as hilarious a character as Walt Disney ever drew.

"Mexican Spitfire Sees a Ghost" co-starring Lupe Velez and Leon Errol and featuring Charles 'Buddy' Rogers will be the second hit of Wednesday's show.

Outstanding among the big productions coming soon to the State is "Yankee Doodle Dandy," the picture that is currently the talk of the nation. Starring James Cagney in the leading role as George M. Cohan, "Yankee Doodle" will come to the State at roadshow prices and will not be shown at any other theater in Waterbury for at least one year.

**PETITION FILED FOR BUS ROUTE**  
Public Utilities Considering Waterbury-Litchfield Franchise

The public utilities commission yesterday conducted a hearing at Hartford on the application of Harry A. Cooke of West Hartford for a franchise to operate a bus line from Waterbury to Litchfield.

Use of a Bank street terminal is contemplated. The initial application listed a proposed terminal on Leavenworth street which was opposed by Police Supt. William J. Roach.

The petition made to the Connecticut public utilities commission by Newton Leas, a tenant at the Long Hill road defense housing project, to conduct a hearing on the government's sale of gasoline and electricity to the tenants has been withdrawn. Leas had charged the government with illegal sale, claiming no charter had been obtained from the commission for the practice. He charged further that rates were excessive and discriminatory. The application was withdrawn through Atty. Howard Matkin.

**BOARD OF FINANCE APPROVES TRANSFER**  
The board of finance yesterday voted a transfer of \$6,000 from the revolving sewer fund for construction of sanitary sewers in September. The work is done by the street department and by the WPA.

Also voted was a transfer of \$2,240 for payment of interest on water bonds. The bonds were sold early this year to meet the cost of building the new pipe line and reservoir.



Mickey Mouse plays a star role in Walt Disney's amazing new full-length technicolor feature "Fantasia" coming to Warner's State Theater for three days starting Wednesday, at regular prices, following an extensive roadshow engagement. "Mexican Spitfire Sees a Ghost" is the second hit of the program.

## VICTOR MATURE IN LOEW POLI SHOW

'Footlight Serenade' Opens Five-Day Engagement Today

Betty Grable, John Payne and Victor Mature are starred in 20th Century-Fox's new musical, "Footlight Serenade," which opens today at the Loew Poli theater for an engagement of five days. Here is a picture that is hailed as the "perfect tonic for the times." Featuring love, laughs and lyrics, it is indeed a merry musical treat.

With a story that spells entertainment all the way, "Footlight Serenade" tells of a fighter who turns actor. Victor Mature realistically portrays the boxer, as John Payne can testify—while both boys are "nuts" about curvaceous Betty Grable, as who isn't!

Rated by previewers as a worthy successor to "My Gal Sal," the picture is studded with topflight talent, such as Jane Wyman, James Gleason, Phil Silvers and Coburn Wright, Jr. Produced with all the embellishments that mark a top-flight musical, "Footlight Serenade" has been hailed as one of the best.

Leo Robin and Ralph Rainger have provided the sparkling music. Among the hits you will be hearing with increasing frequency in the coming weeks are "I Heard the Birdies Sing," "I'm Still Crazy for You," "Are You Kidding Me?" and "I'll Be Marching to a Love Song."

Dazzling new dances have been created by Hermes Pan, who teams with Miss Grable in some of the routines.

On the same program is the hilarious comedy hit "A-Haunting We Will Go," featuring the screen's funniest team, none other than Laurel and Hardy, long-time favorites.

Selected shorts and the latest news events round out the screen fare.

Jackie Cooper, young Hollywood screen star, will appear in person Wednesday and Thursday on the stage of the Loew Poli theater, together with popular Carl Hoff and his orchestra. Don't miss this big show to be presented for four performances daily. In addition there will be a fine screen program, topped by the 20th Century-Fox hit "Little Tokyo, U. S. A." with Preston Foster heading an outstanding cast of favorites.

Coming to the Poli stage in person, real soon, are such stars as Johnny Long and his orchestra, Charlie Spivak and his band, Ray McKinley and his band, and many others, together with top-flight favorites of stage, screen and radio on the surrounding bills.

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FRI.—SAT.  
"WINGS FOR THE EAGLE" with Ann Sheridan—Dennis Morgan  
"RIDERS OF THE TIMBERLAND" with William Boyd  
Sun. Mon. Tues.—"Ten Gentlemen From West Point"



Lovely Joan Fontaine, winner of the 1941 Motion Picture Academy Award, co-stars with Cary Grant, Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., and Victor McLaglen in Rudyard Kipling's "Gunga Din," starting a four day engagement tomorrow at the Strand. "King Kong" with Fay Wray, Bruce Cabot and Robert Armstrong, is the second smash thrill hit on the same program.

"I was very lucky," says Private Krause. "I started off at the top in a business where most people start at the bottom and take years to work up. I used to tumble outside stage doors of theaters hoping somebody would notice me. One day somebody did, and there I was—in the big time."

"The Man on the Flying Trapeze," as some of his fellow soldiers call him, is a genial soul, never too tired to put on an act for his friends.

"What a guy!" one of his bunk-mates exclaimed. "Before breakfast or after supper he can still do more flips and cartwheels than anybody I ever saw."

Private Krause hopes that he can make use of his talents in the Army, but he is not quite sure how.

"Now I ask you," he says plaintively, "what use is a trapeze artist against the Japs?"

**LOEW'S POLI**  
LOVE! LAUGHS! LYRICS!  
THE PERFECT TONIC FOR THE TIMES!  
JOHN PAYNE BETTY GRABLE VICTOR MATURE  
with IANE WYMAN  
JIMMY GLEASON—PHIL SILVERS

**LOEW'S POLI**  
2nd HIT! "FRISCO LIL" with KENT TAYLOR, IRENE HERVEY



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## PARISH FESTIVAL POPULAR SUCCESS

Tonight and Saturday will mark the last two nights of St. Thomas' Church Annual Festival. Throughout the week the Beacon Street school grounds has been thronged with people both from within and out the parish limits. The two closing nights are expected to bring out the largest crowds of the week. As a special attraction, four \$50 War Bonds will be given away on Saturday night instead of the customary two.

The doll booth, with Martin O'Rourke in charge has been surprisingly popular with huge pandes as the chief drawing card. The committee in charge of arrangements is preparing to handle a huge crowd on the last two nights. Captain William Duggan and Lieutenant Ber-

nard Burns of the Waterbury Police department both enthusiastic workers have taken care of the policing of the grounds.

The apple tree grows more rapidly than any other fruit tree.

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"I MARRIED AN ANGEL" Nelson Eddy—Jeanette MacDonald  
Also  
"WHISPERING GHOSTS" Brenda Joyce—John Shelton Chap.—"Perils of Nyoka"

**LIDO**  
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"MAISE GETS HER MAN" with Ann Southern  
"NAZI AGENT" with Conrad Veidt